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BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES, 2006

Docket No. R2006-1

ERRATA TO THE RESPONSES OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO INTERROGATORIES OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR POSTAL COMMERCE REDIRECTED FROM WITNESS KIEFER (POSTCOM/USPS-T36-1(b)-(i), 2, 3))

The United States Postal Service hereby files a corrected cover page for its responses to the above-listed interrogatories and the response to POSTCOM/USPS-T36-1(h) and (i). The responses were filed on July 24, 2006, Filing No. 51124, and were redirected from witness Kiefer. The cover page indicated that responses were provided to POSTCOM/USPS-T36-1-3 in their entirety. However, no institutional response was provided for Interrogatory part 1 (a). (The undersigned notes that witness Kiefer filed his answer to Interrogatory 1(a) today.) Furthermore, the response to 1(h)-(i) were inadvertently omitted.

Attached are the corrected cover page and the revised response to Interrogatory 1 to include parts (h)-(i).

Respectfully submitted,

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The United States Postal Service hereby files its responses to above-listed interrogatories, filed on June 30, 2006, due on July 14, 2006 and redirected from witness Kiefer.

The interrogatories are stated verbatim and are followed by the responses.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO INTERROGATORY OF ASSOCIATION FOR POSTAL COMMERCE REDIRECTED FROM WITNESS KIEFER

Revised August 2, 2006

POSTCOM/USPS-T36-1. Please refer to the copies of the DMM Advisories dated June 1, 2006 and June 29, 2006 attached to this document.

- b. Does the Postal Service intend to incorporate the physical standards that have been specified in the attached DMM Advisories in the DMM? If so, when will the proposed and final rules be published?
- c. Does the Postal Service plan to establish or change any mailpiece characteristics, or rate eligibility or mail preparation requirements during the next eighteen calendar months, with respect to the following rate categories of Standard Mail Regular and Non-Profit Regular:
 - i. Automation Letters
 - ii. Automation Flats
 - iii. Non Flat-Machinables
 - iv. Machinable Parcels
 - v. Non-Machinable Parcels
- d. If not, please explain why not.
- e. If so, please describe any and all such changes.
- f. Will public input be sought during the development of any or all such additional characteristics or requirements? If not, why not?
- g. When will proposed rules addressing each change be published?
- h. When will final rules addressing each change be published?
- i. With respect to each change identified, does the Postal Service anticipate that it will increase its customers' costs to prepare mail? Why or why not?

RESPONSE:

- b. Yes, it is expected that the DMM will include such standards as part of a comprehensive set of standards, after the Federal Register process is completed. The Postal Service is currently developing the standards for Standard Mail, with the concerns and the needs of mailers in mind, to accompany the implementation of the prices resulting from this docket. These standards will be published for public comment when the draft rules are finished, which is expected in the next couple of months.
- c-h. The Postal Service is currently developing the rules for Standard Mail to accompany the implementation of the prices resulting from this docket and will publish them for public comment when the draft rules are finished.
- i. See responses to (c)-(h).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

Nan K. McKenzie

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